

I. Policy

Nebraska Court Records Search Policy for Nebraska County Courts

County court employees will not search for court records or provide information or documentation of court records for any person or agency. Except, court employees may provide photocopies and certified copies of court records specifically identified by case number by the requestor. All certified and photocopy fees are to be assessed and collected in accordance with § 33-126.05. Court employees will not provide or sign any certificate of any kind stating that they have searched and found no record.

An exception to this general rule is the Nebraska State Patrol. If information is requested by the Patrol, please respond as soon as practical. There are no fees assessed to the Patrol for any type of records search.

Persons seeking a court record of a matter which occurred in a particular county should be directed to the JUSTICE public access terminal located in the courthouse where the record or records occurred and provided with written instructions for accessing the JUSTICE record.

Individuals may also use the Justice Court Case One Time Search which allows access to information about court cases throughout Nebraska (except Douglas County District Court) for a \$15.00 per search fee. The research and corresponding results are able to be viewed over a three day time frame.

Persons seeking court records from multiple counties or making a request by mail or telephone should be informed that JUSTICE court records may be obtained by subscribing to the internet service, Nebraska.gov. The service offers online internet access to all JUSTICE cases in the county and district courts in the state, except Douglas County District Court.

For information on JUSTICE internet access or to subscribe to Nebraska.gov, phone in Lincoln (402) 471-7810 or 1-800-747-8177 or go to: <http://www.nebraska.gov/subscriber/index.html>

Any Nebraska governmental agency may request free access to Nebraska.gov from the Deputy State Court Administrator for Information Technology at (402) 471-3049.

The public may request from the Nebraska State Patrol a conviction-only record of arrest and prosecution record for individuals. There is a \$15 dollar processing fee for searching the record. Contact the Nebraska State Patrol at (402) 471-4545.

II. Purpose

To define the alternatives available regarding court records searches in Nebraska County Courts, to encourage the use of the JUSTICE search availability through Nebraska.gov, to provide for search provisions for law enforcement and the media.